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U.S. NATIONAL COMMISSION ON LIBRARIES AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

MINUTES

October 28-29, 1987  
New York, New York

Commissioners Present: Daniel Carter, Daniel Casey, Lee Edwards, Wanda Forbes, John Juergensmeyer, Bessie Moore, George Nash, Margaret Phelan, Barbara Taylor, Julia Wu, Elinor Hashim, ex officio, Raymond Petersen and Sally Jo Vasicko, Commissioners-Designate, and Jerald Newman, Presiding

Staff Present: Vivian Arterbery, Dorothy Gray, Mary Alice Reszetar, Christina Young, and Jane McDuffie, Recording Secretary

Guests Present: Allan Boudkeor; Laura Chodos, New York State Board of Regents; David Cohen, Queens College Library School; Linda Mark, Wilson Library Bulletin; Lucienne Moileet, Dean, Palmer School of Library and Information Science, Long Island University; Ann Randall, City College of CUNY; Nasser Sharify, Pratt Institute; Joseph Shubert, New York State Librarian; Barbara Weaver, State Librarian of New Jersey and President of COSLA

**MEETING  
CONVENED**

Chairman Newman called the meeting of the U.S. National Commission and Information Science to order at 10:10 a.m. following an Executive Session.

**MINUTES  
APPROVED**

The minutes of the October 28-29, 1987 NCLIS Commission were approved with one correction:

Page D-19 - The Research Libraries Group, Inc. is located at Stanford University.

**RESIGNATION  
OF EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTOR**

Chairman Newman announced the resignation of NCLIS Executive Director Vivian Arterbery effective January 1988. A search committee will be formed to begin the search for a new Executive Director. Commissioner Juergensmeyer commended Mrs. Arterbery for the fine service she has rendered to the Commission.

**COMMISSIONER  
DESIGNATE**

Mr. Newman introduced Commissioner-Designate Raymond Petersen. On behalf of the Commissioners and staff Mr. Newman welcomed Mr. Petersen to the Commission meeting. Mr. Petersen would succeed Kenneth Y. Tomlinson.

**NATIONAL  
LIBRARY CARD  
CAMPAIGN**

Chairman Newman congratulated staff for the successful celebration launching the National Library Card Campaign. The "kickoff" was held on the Mall in Washington October 14, 1987. Mr. Newman noted that the celebration significantly increased the Commission's visibility. Dr. Moore commented that the event was the best organized program she has attended in years and cited the tremendous amount of planning and coordination by staff. Mrs. Arterbery identified Dottie Gray, NCLIS Research Associate, as the Campaign's Program Officer. She acknowledged the outstanding contribution Dottie made to the program. The event received good publicity: television coverage by Washington's cable channel; articles in the Washington Post, Education Week, American Libraries, and Wilson Library Bulletin, and a color photo layout in School Library Journal.

**1988 NCLIS  
COMMISSION  
MEETINGS**

The Commission scheduled 1988 Commission meetings as follows:

January 13-15	San Antonio, Texas
April 19-22	Washington, D.C.
June 14-16	Denver, Colorado
October 26-28	Atlanta, Georgia

**JOHN  
JUERGENSEMEYER**

Commissioner Moore, noting the expiration of Commissioner Juergensmeyer's term as NCLIS Commissioner and the excellence in which he served as a Commissioner, introduced the following resolution:

**MOTION  
JOHN  
JUERGENSEMEYER**

**MOVED** by Bessie B. Moore, seconded by Wanda Forbes to recognize and honor John E. Juergensmeyer for five years of admirable service to the Commission.

WHEREAS, John E. Juergensmeyer has been a dedicated, energetic member of the U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for five years,

WHEREAS, he has promoted the need to serve the unserved of our nation in libraries and information science,

WHEREAS, he has articulated the critical role of information in local governance,

WHEREAS, his commitment to the spirit as well as the law of the Commission mission has inspired other Commission Members,

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED** that the U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science commends John E. Juergensmeyer for his many contributions to NCLIS, and extend him our best wishes and warm regards and thanks for his work for the Commission.

Adopted and passed unanimously this 28th day of October 1987.

**JUERGENSEMEYER  
REMARKS**

Commissioner Juergensmeyer remarked that he has been "privileged and flattered" to have served on the Commission for five years. He hopes that the

Commission will continue to focus attention on the following areas:

- o unserved geographical and underserved library areas;
- o local governance;
- o rural programs;
- o international affairs;
- o more Commissioner involvement in NCLIS projects and programs;
- o more content at Commission meetings.

**EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTOR'S  
REPORT**

Mrs. Arterbery reported on the following:

Department of Commerce World Scan Data Base Program - The Department of Commerce tabled interest in the World Scan Data Base program earlier this year, but is reevaluating the program and hopes to go forward with it in FY 88.

International - In FY 86 the Department of State awarded \$115,000 in grants, which were passed through the Commission to organizations for U.S. involvement in international information activities. In FY 87 \$216,500 in grants was awarded. The Commission was the only group that received the total amount requested. NCLIS was praised for the way in which it prepared and presented its paperwork. The Commission was called on at the end of FY 87 to consider other proposals that might be considered for funding. Mrs. Arterbery credited Dottie Gray for success with this program.

Sensitive But Not Classified Government Information - Shortly after the May NCLIS hearing on Sensitive But Not Classified Government Information, Mr. Frank Carlucci, then-Director of the National Security Council, withdrew one of the NSD directives. Mrs. Arterbery pointed out that the Commission hearing was an excellent way of airing the issues and making information available to concerned parties on both sides of the issue.

Improving Access to Information - As a result of a change in direction at the Encyclopedia Britannica, the joint video tape project with the Commission

did not take place. Encyclopedia Britannica now plans to produce a video tape based on work being done by the California State Department of Education. Two NCLIS Commissioners will be invited to serve on the Advisory Board which will review all of the material.

National Library Card Campaign - NCLIS will urge follow up at state and local levels to ensure that interest and motivation for the National Library Card Campaign continues, and to encourage the hundreds of thousands of librarians, students and parents to sign up children for a library card.

Aging - NCLIS sponsored a joint program on Aging with the American Library Trustee Association. The program was held during ALA's annual conference. The guest speaker was the Honorable Claude Pepper. The program was a huge success and resulted in the Commission being asked to sponsor a longer conference in which more information could be provided and more participants involved.

Information for Governance - NCLIS did not initiate a governance program in FY 87. The Commission will establish and work on the governance program in FY 88.

Bicentennial of the Constitution - Several Commissioners participated in the Celebration of Citizenship Day, a nationwide event primarily focused on school children, to celebrate the Bicentennial of the Constitution. NCLIS served as a catalyst to get libraries involved in the Citizenship Day Celebration.

Interactive Satellite Bicentennial Program - Work continues on this program. The current cost estimate to produce the video is \$278,000. Staff has prepared a draft proposal which when finalized will be sent to the GE Foundation requesting funding for the program.

Preservation - Commissioner Taylor is representing NCLIS (1) as a Member of the National Library of Medicine's Task Force on Preservation, and (2) a Member of the Commission on Preservation and Access' Advisory Committee. Commissioner Taylor and Dottie Gray also coauthored an article on the Commission's activities in the area of preservation.

The article appeared in Conservation Administration News, A Quarterly Publication of Library and Archival Preservation, The University of Tulsa Libraries, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

**The Role of Information in the Economy -**

Mrs. Arterbery remarked that the series of trilateral meetings on Information in the Economy jointly sponsored by the U.S., Canada and Great Britain has been "one of the most exciting events" in which the Commission has participated this year. A joint declaration (Glenerin Declaration) has resulted from the meetings and will be discussed during this meeting. Mrs. Arterbery noted that Commissioner Edwards presented the idea for the declaration.

**Congressional Requests** - Throughout the year the Commission received several requests from Congressional staff regarding statistics and library funding in their districts. NCLIS was invited to serve on the OTA (Office of Technical Assessment) panel on the first amendment and the press, one of the panels Congress instructed OTA to convene related to the celebration of the Bicentennial of the Constitution. The documents from these panels will be published later this year.

**Moscow Book Fair** - NCLIS' Executive Director was invited to attend the Moscow International Book Fair as part of USIA's delegation. In addition to serving on a sub-group of the publishing talks, Mrs. Arterbery and Ed McLarin also met with N. Kartashov, Chief, Lenin State Library and brought back the signed agreement from earlier negotiations. One of the exchanges from the agreement that might directly impact NCLIS is the one on rural programs. The rural program initiative with ICLIS is expected to be placed on the agenda for 1989, and would culminate with a meeting in the USSR.

**Public Relations** - There has been an attempt by staff and the Commission's Public Affairs Committee to develop opportunities for increased visibility for the Commission. This is an area that needs attention. A scrapbook of press clippings and articles about NCLIS activities was circulated at the meeting.

Commissioner Casey suggested that the Commission continue to hold hearings around the country on issues concerning libraries. The hearings could

be held in conjunction with Commission meetings. Chairman Newman agreed with Mr. Casey and asked Commissioners to think about appropriate subjects for Commission hearings.

Administration - On September 19 the NCLIS Headquarters moved to 1111 18th Street, N.W. Mrs. Arterbery invited Commissioners to visit the new offices.

Sandy Milevski joined the NCLIS staff as a Research Associate on September 7.

The FY 88 budget appropriation has not been announced, but the effect of sequestration would reduce the Commission's budget by approximately \$61,000.

There is a possibility that NCLIS will discontinue its contract for administrative services with the Department of Education. The Department of Education suggested that NCLIS contract with GSA's Small Agency Support Department.

OMB has requested an audit of all small agencies and Commissions. The Executive Director will follow up with OMB as appropriate.

Censorship - Based on discussions at ALA's Workshop on Censorship a list of standard data elements for collecting censorship data will be developed. This initiative is a result of NCLIS' Censorship study. ALA recognized there is a need for a clearer definition on what is collected and consensus on who is collecting what information. NCLIS' censorship report was used as a baseline document for discussion at the workshop.

Public Affairs Roundtable (PAR) Meeting - Commissioners expressed concern that they have not been apprised of the agenda nor outcome of PAR meetings. Mrs. Arterbery explained that the PAR meetings are informal, off the record, and that no minutes are taken. Chairman Newman asked Mrs. Reszetar (PAR Chairperson) to prepare and send a report of PAR meetings to Commissioners.

#### **GUESTS**

Chairman Newman introduced and welcomed Barbara Weaver, State Librarian of New Jersey and President of COSLA, and Ann Randall, Chief Librarian, City College of New York, to the meeting.

**NATIONAL  
LIBRARY  
CARD  
CAMPAIGN**

A 30-second public service announcement on the National Library Card Campaign was shown during lunch. The ad, produced by ALA, will be shown on major television networks and stations that accept it. Vice Chairman Moore informed Commissioners that the Garfield character, who participated in the Campaign kickoff on the Mall, volunteered to travel throughout the U.S. to help promote the campaign. (Note: Garfield characters would be available for a negotiated fee).

Mrs. Gray described kits that are available for libraries' use with the National Library Card Campaign. The kits include posters and tipsheets and have been sent to public libraries throughout the country. New Jersey State Librarian, Barbara Weaver informed the Commission that the New Jersey State Library is purchasing everything listed in the kit in large quantities for distribution to libraries throughout the State.

Pizza Hut will sponsor a mailing to 12 million students next fall. Twelve and one half million students are already involved in Pizza Hut's "Book It" program. Commissioner Carter volunteered to write to Pizza Hut for statistics on students progress in the program.

Commissioner Wu suggested that the Commission ask ARCO Corporation to sponsor some library programs.

**AGING**

Commissioner Moore proclaimed the Aging Program cosponsored by NCLIS and the American Library Trustees Association as a huge success, extremely popular and "the talk of the entire ALA convention". Dr. Moore reported that ACTION was very cooperative in assisting with the program. NCLIS plans to present a preliminary proposal to the ALA Library Trustee Association to hold a two-day pre-conference workshop. NCLIS will also seek a grant to assist in funding. Dr. Moore stated that the Commissioners have been very supportive of the Aging program and thanked them for their encouragement and support.

**COSLA  
REPORT**

Chairman Newman introduced Barbara Weaver, State Librarian of New Jersey and President of COSLA.

Ms. Weaver stated that she was pleased to report on COSLA activities for Nettie Taylor, COSLA liaison to NCLIS. She reported that COSLA is:

- o taking an active role in the reauthorization of LSCA by sending suggestions, recommendations and representatives to the hearings;
- o supporting a new Title VII technology title proposed by the Hon. Major Owens;
- o heavily involved with the ARL project on Access to Information in Electronic Format;
- o participating and planning for a program sponsored by ARL at the 1988 midwinter conference on Access to Government Information in Electronic Format;
- o cosponsoring a meeting conducted by ALTA on issues relating to the upcoming White House Conference;
- o planning to hold meetings with NCLIS, ALA, SLA and COSLA to determine what the priorities of the individual organizations are and to determine how they might work together more effectively; (e.g., literacy and public awareness.)

Ms. Weaver stated that COSLA is willing to gather and provide information to NCLIS on what other organizations and agencies are doing in related interest areas.

Ms. Weaver congratulated Dr. Moore for the work she does in the Aging Program.

Ms. Weaver thanked the Commission for the opportunity to speak on COSLA activities and invited NCLIS to hold one of its Commission meetings in New Jersey.

Dr. Moore recognized COSLA as being supportive of the Aging Program.

#### BUDGET AND FINANCE

Commissioner Carter reported on the Fiscal 1987 budget. In reviewing the year end fiscal report, Mr. Carter stated that the Commission spent what was authorized for the fiscal year. Less money

was spent on salaries and benefits because of two vacancies on the NCLIS staff and the cancellation of one Commission meeting.

Mr. Carter explained two proposed budgets for 1988. One document is based on an appropriation of \$750,000 and the other on \$685,000. He stated that there would have to be a shift in staffing, Commissioner salaries and travel if the budget level is \$685,000. The Budget Committee will review the alternatives to ensure that Commission participation is not curtailed. Mr. Carter ended his report by thanking Mrs. Arterbery for preparing an excellent budget report.

#### INTERNATIONAL REPORT

Commissioner Edwards thanked the Commission for creating the International Committee. Mr. Edwards briefed the Commission on the trilateral meetings on Information in the Economy cosponsored by NCLIS, Canada and Great Britain. The Glenerin Declaration, which evolved from a series of meetings on the Information in the Economy, has been endorsed by colleagues in Canada and Great Britain.

Once again the Commission was able to play a catalytic role by bringing together people from the Agency for International Development and USIA to put together a medical project for medical schools in Third World countries.

Commissioner Casey reported on the annual IFLA meeting in Brighton, England. Representatives from NCLIS were Vivian Arterbery, Elinor Hashim, William Welsh and Daniel Casey. Mr. Casey noted that some of the benefits of attending events such as IFLA are (1) the development of a broader perspective on the delivery of library services, (2) learning about library programs/projects in other countries, and (3) participating in resource sharing with other countries. He also reported that the:

- o exhibits were very impressive;
- o foreign exhibitors from all countries exhibited;
- o Friends of the Library, USA exhibited a poster which generated interest;
- o conference offered a tour of libraries in London; and,
- o Public Lending Right was discussed.

Mr. Casey recommended that, as a Member for the first time this year, the Commission should designate an official representative as its voting person and authorized participant. He suggested that the International Committee study his proposal and recommend a designate by the January meeting.

Miss Hashim responded that she is a member of the Science Technology Libraries Committee and is responsible for planning that program in Australia next year. Miss Hashim offered to share program information with the Commission.

Mr. Edwards recognized Commissioner Wu's outstanding efforts in assisting in the organization of a Sino-American Conference on Library Technology.

Mrs. Wu responded that through the efforts of a science advisor in Los Angeles who represents Taiwan, arrangements were made for Commissioners Newman, Juergensmeyer, and Wu and Joseph Becker to be part of the American delegation at the Conference on Library Technology in Taiwan. She reported that:

- o this was the first time Taiwan has sponsored a conference of this kind;
- o the conference was very well received;
- o the delegation was given the "red carpet" treatment;
- o the delegation was greeted by the Governor, Mayor and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Taipei;
- o the impact of the conference was not only to promote mutual understanding and participation in resource sharing, but also to establish friendship between the two countries.
- o Taiwan is looking forward to many more conferences in its country;
- o NCLIS is very well known to Taiwan's information community;
- o Taiwanese are very involved in U.S. information and library activities; and,

- o they are members of ASIS and ALA.

Mr. Edwards noted that all Commissioners paid their own transportation.

Mr. Edwards reported that in November the Commission will be acting as a catalyst at a conference in Guatemala on Textbooks and Translations Standards and distribution in Latin America. The Conference has received funding from the State Department, USIA and the private sector.

**GLENERIN  
DECLARATION**

Commissioner Edwards presented a synopsis of the Glenerin Declaration. Commissioner Phelan complimented Commissioner Edwards for his participation in the trilateral meetings and for the clear and concise way in which the Glenerin Declaration was written.

**MOTION  
GLENERIN  
DECLARATION**

**MOVED** by Daniel Carter, seconded by Wanda Forbes that the Commission accept and support the Glenerin Declaration, and announce its intention to follow up on a number of the recommendations.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Edwards replied that the Commission will act as the honest broker to ensure completion of the projects that have been advocated.

Mr. Newman asked staff to give the Glenerin Declaration a wide press release and in conjunction with Canada and Great Britain's announcements.

**OMB CLEAR-  
ANCE**

The OMB Clearance report was tabled.

**PRIVATIZATION**

Mrs. Arterbery provided an up-to-date report on the area of privatization. She reported that she has been in touch with the Executive Director of the Commission on Privatization. Mrs. Arterbery was told that the Commission held its first hearing on housing on October 21. The Commission on Privatization's agenda was not quite formulated enough to report at NCLIS's October meeting. NCLIS is mailing a copy of the public/private sector report and the fees document to the commission.

**MOTION  
PRIVATIZATION**

**MOVED** by Lee Edwards, seconded by Daniel Carter that the U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science offer its support to the Commission on Privatization and send a copy of all NCLIS publications in the area of information services and privatization.

Motion carried unanimously.

**WALGREN  
LETTER**

Chairman Newman asked Commissioners for their consensus on the Walgren letter and stated that the Commission could take one of the following positions:

1. a position supporting one of the bills
2. not supporting them and supporting the administration
3. not answer (table the matter).

Mrs. Arterbery responded by informing the Commission that Congressman Walgren's staff person is holding the galleys awaiting a decision from NCLIS at this meeting.

To help the Commission in its deliberations, Commissioner Carter telephoned Mike Rubin, Counsel at the Department of Commerce. Mr. Rubin responded that NTIS is opposed to H.R. 1615 because it does not directly apply to the issues at hand (NTIS and privatization). Mr. Rubin reported that the House has passed H.R. 2159, and that some parts appear to be passing in the Senate. He also stated that Senator Hollings is generating another bill that would be attached to a trade bill. Department of Commerce is in the process of preparing a RFP to request proposals for privatization of all aspects of NTIS. He thinks the RFP will be for all NTIS functions.

Commissioner Edwards remarked that H.R. 1615 calls for the establishment of a government information agency and that NCLIS should be against any such legislation.

The Commission discussed responding to the Brown bill, H.R. 1615 by stating that NCLIS cannot support this kind of legislation because:

- o it is too vague and general;
- o it does not fully identify what it would cover;
- o it is not clear in what direction it's headed, and which departments would be affected;
- o it is not clear how GPO would be affected.

[There was no motion]

MOTION  
H.R. 2159

MOVED by Lee Edwards, seconded by Daniel Carter that the Commission's reply to H.R. 2159 should state that:

- o if any aspect is privatized it should only be to an American-owned corporation
- o the Commission doesn't believe that there should be any changes to NTIS' operating authority (proposed in your legislation).

Motion unanimously passed.

CULTURAL  
MINORITIES

Christina Young briefed Commissioners on the Cultural Minorities Task Force Report. She stated that at the time of the report the Commission decided to vote on each recommendation rather than to accept the whole report. Eight of the 42 recommendations were not endorsed by the Commission. The then-President of ALA, E. J. Josey established a committee to see how the ALA could promote, encourage and implement all 42 recommendations. ALA's committee issued their own report. The ALA Council accepted the report of the committee and is working to implement the resolutions. One of the recommendations from the committee was to ask NCLIS to take another look at the eight recommendations it did not originally endorse. These recommendations have been reworded.

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Add Bill Wale's  
name to minutes*

After considerable discussion, the following motion was introduced:

**MOTION  
SENSITIVE BUT  
NOT CLASSI-  
FIED GOVERN-  
MENT INFOR-  
MATION**

**MOVED** by Daniel Carter, seconded by Lee Edwards that a letter be sent to Frank Carlucci from Chairman Newman stating that the Commission:

- o held hearings on sensitive but not classified government information;
- o has an appreciation of the problems on both sides;
- o would hold additional hearings if funded;
- o would constitute a committee of the major constituencies to this problem with the expectation of coming up with recommendations that could be acceptable;

Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION  
HEARINGS  
TRANSCRIPT**

**MOVED** by Lee Edwards, seconded by Daniel Carter to publish the transcript of the Hearing on Sensitive But Not Classified Government Information.

Motion carried unanimously.

**FBI AWARE-  
NESS PROGRAM**

Chairman Newman told the Commission that he had contacted the FBI and requested a representative attend the Commission meeting to report on library related issues. Mr. Newman was told that the agency is not prepared to make a presentation at this meeting, but would present a report at the Commission's January meeting in San Antonio.

**MOTION  
FBI PRESENTA-  
TION**

**MOVED** by Daniel Casey, seconded by Daniel Carter and George Nash to invite the FBI to give a presentation at the Commission's January Commission Meeting in San Antonio, and also inform the FBI that it is NCLIS's responsibility to emphasize that we stand for the principle of open access to information.

**COMMISSIONER  
DESIGNATE**

Mr. Newman introduced Sally Jo Vasicko, Commissioner Designate. Ms. Vasicko would succeed John E. Juergensmeyer.

**GUESTS**

Mr. Newman introduced Mrs. Laura Chodos, Member of the New York Board of Regents, and Mr. Larry Dormer, Blue Cross/Blue Shield Librarian.

**JOSEPH  
SHUBERT**

Mr. Newman introduced Mr. Joseph Shubert, New York State Librarian. On behalf of the Commission, Mr. Newman thanked Mr. Shubert for his assistance in locating meeting space for the Commission's New York meeting.

Mr. Shubert introduced Dr. Esther La Pato, Former President of New York State Trustees Association and a Member of the Regents Advisory Council on Libraries.

Mr. Shubert told the Commission that the New York State Library believes strongly in the work of the Commission and will continue to support it in every appropriate way.

Mr. Shubert gave a stimulating report on New York's library services. He commented that:

- o there are over 7,000 libraries in New York State. These libraries house over 176 million volumes, a total staff of 26,000 people and operating expenditures of nearly \$800 million;
- o the public library will lend over 99 million books this year;
- o more than half of New York's libraries serve populations of less than 5,000;
- o only 13 libraries serve populations of 100,000 or more;
- o New York's network of libraries include 22 public library systems and their 733 member libraries and some 400 branches;
- o schools with a total of 1.8 million students participate in the school library system; and,

- o New York has the largest state aid for library programs in the country, but not always the largest per capita aid.

Mr. Shubert stated that New York enthusiastically supports the Commission's efforts in planning for a second White House Conference. Speaking on the National Library Card Campaign, Mr. Shubert noted that West Virginia plans to sign up every student in the state with a library card; New York will try to get as many children as possible to sign up and use a library card.

#### WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE

Commissioner Casey distributed a list containing names and states of cosponsors to the White House Conference. He asked Commissioners to examine the list of Senators and encourage those Senators not yet signed up to do so.

Commissioner Casey reported that:

- o Mr. Newman spoke before the legislative group of the ALA about the importance of the White House Conference.
- o In April Dr. Moore, Dr. Boorstin, Chairman Emeritus Benton and Mr. Casey testified on behalf of Senate Joint Resolution 26 at a hearing conducted by the Senate Subcommittee on Education, Arts and Humanities.
- o In May Mrs. Reszetar and Mr. Casey solicited support for the White House Conference at a Board Meeting of the Association of Research Libraries in Pittsburgh.
- o Mr. Casey addressed the Florida Library Association.
- o In August Dr. Moore, Mrs. Reszetar and Mr. Casey participated in the annual WHCLIST meeting.

Mr. Casey announced that WHCLIST's next annual meeting will be hosted by Bill Asp in Minneapolis.

Mrs. Reszetar reported that the House voted on the White House Conference bill and passed it under unanimous consent. It is anticipated that the Senate will vote on it before they adjourn in December. The number of cosponsors has grown to 190 -- 128 in the House and 72 in the Senate.

On behalf of the Commission's White House Conference Committee, Mr. Casey presented the following committee recommendations:

- o ask the White House Preliminary Design Group to update its report;
- o after the President signs the bill, send copies of the report and a copy of the bill to the authorities who appoint the White House Conference Advisory Committee;
- o five million dollars was requested in the Senate bill; send justification to committees of House and Senate;
- o NCLIS hire a budget expert to ascertain the actual financial needs for a second conference and to prepare a budget justification.

Future activities: Mrs. Reszetar will speak before the Midwest Federation of Library Associations in Indianapolis.

Mr. Newman will refer the matter of hiring a budget expert to the Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee, Daniel Carter.

Mrs. Arterbery opined that it would be difficult for a budget expert to write the justification.

Mr. Newman has been in touch with the White House to locate someone who will take a leadership role.

Since OMB is not supportive of a White House Conference, Commissioner Edwards cautioned that "We have to be careful not to anticipate that the President will automatically sign the bill."

Mr. Casey stated that WHCLIST is a link to the states and recommends that each state hold their own preconference. States will have to generate the bulk of money for their state's involvement.

Mr. Edwards informed Commissioners that \$8 million was spent for the 1979 White House Conference; \$3 million of which was paid by the government.

Miss Hashim voiced concern over the planned size of White House Conference II. She reminded the Commission that:

- o a decision was made that the Conference would be smaller than WHC I;
- o state conferences are optional;
- o there may be regional conferences;
- o many things were dictated from NCLIS to states that were not acceptable during WHC I;

Miss Hashim stated that one reason the White House Conference Preliminary Design Group was instituted was to ensure that the Conference will not be as large as WHC I and will be more focused -- a direction in which it does not seem to be going.

A letter will be sent to Members of the White House Conference Preliminary Design Group asking for additional comments, changes or ideas that have occurred since the report was presented to the Commission two years ago.

**PUBLIC  
AFFAIRS COM-  
MITTEE REPORT**

Chairman Casey stated that the function of the NCLIS Public Affairs Committee is to inform the public and Congress on what the Commission is doing. To assist in increasing the Commission's visibility, Mr. Casey asked Commissioners to distribute library card campaign posters to their local libraries and encourage librarians to order items from the kit.

Mr. Casey asked Commissioners to send all newspaper clippings regarding NCLIS to Dorothy Gray.

Mr. Casey emphasized the need for Commissioners to assist in planning Commission meetings held near their locality by inviting city officials and administrators, planning receptions, etc. Chairman Newman asked Commissioners to assist in coordinating, hosting and planning meetings in their areas. Commission Carter will be the Commissioner-host for the January meeting in San Antonio.

**RECOGNITION  
AWARDS COM-  
MITTEE**

Commissioner Phelan, Chairman of the Recognition Awards Committee, presented the following committee report:

- o the top five finalists will be presented to the Commission to determine the winner;
- o the award will be presented in April in Washington, D.C.;

- o the award will be a plaque;
- o the recognition award will be publicized by sending announcements to all library and information organizations and journals and education publications;

Commissioner Phelan estimates that the recognition awards project will cost \$1,300.

**MOTION  
RECOGNITION  
AWARD**

**MOVED** by Margaret Phelan, seconded by George Nash that the Commission budget \$1300 for the Recognition Award Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Phelan asked staff to send a press release announcing the award to each Commissioner's local newspaper.

**1988 PROGRAM  
PLANS**

Commissioner Carter distributed a program plan document as a model for the development of program plans.

Priority programs are:

Literacy:	School Administrators and Library Issues
Democracy:	Develop partnership between libraries and local governance
Productivity:	Information in the Economy combined with information technology impact and library and information needs of handicapped and disabled, combined with library and information services for special populations
Policy, Planning and Advice:	Planning for WHC II

Commissioner Carter remarked that Commissioners must assume responsibility for overseeing programs.

Commissioner Edwards withdrew from the local governance program because of heavy workload in the Information in the Economy program. Chairman Newman appointed George Nash and Sally Jo Vasicko to work on local governance.

Mr. Carter had prepared a sample form for preparing 1988 program plans. Forms will be prepared by staff and presented at the January Commission meeting. Mr. Carter will correspond with Commissioners who are "overseers" of programs.

Mr. Carter recognized the Program Committee Members for 100 percent attendance at the committee meeting and thanked them for their participation.

Commissioner Phelan expressed her appreciation for the exemplary way in which the program plans were written. She remarked that it indicates a lot of hard work and good ideas. She also thanked all committee members for attending the Recognition Awards Committee meeting.

Mrs. Phelan suggested that the Commission work on creating a postage stamp for the National Library Card Campaign.

Commissioner Casey acknowledged Pizza Hut's contribution of \$13,455 for the National Library Card Campaign celebration. He also praised staff for the wonderful meeting place in New York and meeting notebook.

**BICENTENNIAL  
COMMITTEE  
REPORT**

Wanda Forbes, Co Chairman of the Bicentennial Committee reported that:

- o Several Commissioners attended the successful Celebration of Citizenship Day at the Capitol.
- o Bicentennial materials were sent from the Commission on the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution to 110,000 schools across the country.
- o NCLIS' ideas for commemorating the events were featured in the official newsletter of the Commission on the Bicentennial of the U. S. Constitution.
- o Commissioner Nash will speak at a DAR lecture series initiating their commemoration of the Bicentennial of the Constitution. He will speak on the topic of the intellectual world of the founding fathers. He will also link it with the Year of the Reader, which we are celebrating by devoting a lecture to books and the founding fathers. These are books that most influenced their political philosophy, the books they collected, the kinds of education

they received in the classics, and the ways that certain books had a great impact on their own philosophy of life and conduct. The lecture is intended essentially for a lay audience.

Dr. Moore suggested that Mr. Nash give the same presentation at the next Commission meeting.

- o Commissioner Wu reported on Bicentennial activities in California. Mrs. Wu was invited to serve on the Advisory Council on the California Commission on the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution. On September 17, Mrs. Wu spoke to a group of 200 high school students on the U.S. Constitution, trying to focus on rights and responsibility. The California Bicentennial Commission is having the U.S. Constitution translated into different foreign languages. Mrs. Wu coordinated the Chinese translation of the U.S. Constitution. The California Commission is selling the translation for 15 cents each. Mrs. Wu would like NCLIS to purchase a supply of pamphlets in English, with its name on the back cover listed as a sponsor to send to libraries across the nation for their use as a giveaway. Mrs. Wu stressed it as a way to increase the Commission's visibility. Mrs. Wu stated that the California Foundation is designing a float to enter in the Pasadena Rose Bowl. The theme of the parade is "We the People."
- o Commissioner Forbes informed the Commission that NCLIS' involvement in Bicentennial activities has been very inexpensive for the Commission.

WHC Commissioner Carter recommended that the videotape which was produced after the 1979 White House Conference be shown at the January meeting. He stated that it is very inspiring with flashes of the event and glimpses of the people who participated.

MEETING  
ADJOURNED

Chairman Newman thanked Mrs. Arterbery and staff for the excellent meeting arrangements and staff work in preparation for the October Commission meeting. He stated that "the work is most professional and outstanding."

MOVED by Julia Wu, seconded by Peg Phelan that the Commission meeting be adjourned.

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The next regularly scheduled meeting of the U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science will be January 14-15, 1988 in San Antonio, Texas.

Future Commission Meetings: January 14-15, 1988, San Antonio,  
Texas  
April 21-22, 1988, Washington, D.C.  
June 14-16, 1988, Denver, Colorado  
October 26-28, 1988, Atlanta,  
Georgia